

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS
HB 2707

Title: An act relating to sex offenders in inmate work programs.

Brief Description: Prohibiting sex offenders in inmate work programs from obtaining private individuals' names.

Sponsors: Representatives Backlund, Quall, Dickerson, Koster, O'Brien, Scott, Sullivan, Lambert, Cairnes, Wood, McDonald, and Sherstad.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS

Hearing Date: January 27, 1998.

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Background: Currently, there are no statutory prohibitions on what types of offenders may have access to certain information when participating in an inmate work program.

Summary: Prohibits an inmate convicted of a sex offense and who participates in a work program from obtaining access to private individuals' names, addresses, and telephone numbers. The burden is on the administrators of the work programs to ensure this.

Rules Authority: No.

Fiscal Note: Requested January 23, 1998.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.